

Hospital charges compared

Average charges billed to Medicare (initial list price) for procedures, compared to Medicare reimbursements, 2011. Medicare payments typically cover about 91 percent of a hospital's actual costs, a New Jersey Hospital Association spokeswoman said.

Hospitals are AtlantiCare Regional Medical Center in Atlantic City; Cape Regional Medical Center in Cape May Court House; Shore Medical Center in Somers Point; South Jersey Healthcare Regional Medical Center (now called Inspira) in Vineland; and Southern Ocean Medical Center in Manahawkin.

Source: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

CHEST PAIN

Hospital	Billed to Medicare	Paid by Medicare
AtlantiCare	\$49,195	\$4,141
Cape Regional	\$11,869	\$3,540
Shore Medical	\$37,402	\$3,621
S.J. Health	\$33,933	\$4,033
S. Ocean	\$23,071	\$3,336

SIMPLE PNEUMONIA & PLEURISY

without complicating or major complicating conditions

Hospital	Billed to Medicare	Paid by Medicare
AtlantiCare	\$47,485	\$4,936
Cape Regional	\$14,346	\$4,516
Shore Medical	\$37,333	\$4,317
S.J. Health	\$28,998	\$4,879
S. Ocean	\$23,744	\$4,344

RENAL FAILURE

without complicating or major complicating conditions
(does not list fewer than 11 discharges)

Hospital	Billed to Medicare	Paid by Medicare
AtlantiCare	\$43,428	\$4,587
Cape Regional	Not avail.	Not avail.
Shore Medical	\$32,645	\$4,156
S.J. Health	\$35,369	\$4,627
S. Ocean	Not avail.	Not avail.

SEIZURES

without major complicating conditions

Hospital	Billed to Medicare	Paid by Medicare
AtlantiCare	\$47,392	\$6,762
Cape Regional	\$19,756	\$4,775

Shore Medical	\$43,702	\$4,845
S.J. Health	\$42,333	\$5,380
S. Ocean	\$33,342	\$4,622

PERMANENT CARDIAC PACEMAKER IMPLANT

without complicating or major complicating conditions

Hospital	Billed to Medicare	Paid by Medicare
AtlantiCare	\$99,113	\$13,854
Cape Regional	\$51,273	\$12,677
Shore Medical	Not avail.	Not avail.
S.J. Health	\$60,344	\$14,335
S. Ocean	\$32,292	\$12,376

MAJOR JOINT REPLACEMENT OR REATTACHMENT OF LOWER EXTREMITY

without major complicating conditions

Hospital	Billed to Medicare	Paid by Medicare
AtlantiCare	\$82,918	\$14,326
Cape Regional	\$46,837	\$13,234
Shore Medical	\$83,972	\$13,089
S.J. Health	\$69,436	\$14,723
S. Ocean	\$40,139	\$12,750

DIABETES

without complicating conditions

Hospital	Billed to Medicare	Paid by Medicare
AtlantiCare	\$53,667	\$5,945
Cape Regional	\$18,564	\$5,102
Shore Medical	\$42,050	\$5,512
S.J. Health	\$41,696	\$5,690
S. Ocean	\$31,294	\$5,472